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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) A sulphur dioxide generator, comprising:
- a first composite sheet comprising a paper substrate with a coating of weldable synthetic plastics material on one face thereof,
- a second composite sheet comprising a paper substrate with a first coating of a substance which, in the presence of moisture, generates sulphur dioxide, and a second coating of a weldable synthetic plastics material thereon,
- the first coating being between the paper substrate and the second coating,
- the weldable coatings being secured to one another in such manner as to provide a series of closed pockets between the composite sheets,
- each pocket having a powdered substance contained therein which, in the presence of moisture, generates sulphur dioxide, this substance being in powder form.

2. (New) The sulphur dioxide generator of claim 1, wherein the first coating comprises sodium metabisulphite.